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Appln. No. : 10/563,623 Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned
I.A. Filed : July 5, 2004 Examiner: Not yet assigned
For : UNDERWATER CATAPULT IN WHICH THE ARROW IS PROPELLED
ALONG THE LENGTH OF THE BARREL

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicant hereby submits the following documents for the Examiner's consideration which were cited in a Search Report conducted in International Application No. PCT/FR2004/001732, which is a counterpart of the above-captioned application. For the convenience of the Examiner, Applicant hereby submits an English language translation of the Annex. In particular, the International Examiner cited:

(1) French Patent Application No. 2 798 188 published March 9, 2001 as an "A" category document (i.e., technological background) with regard to claims 1-10 of the International application. The Examiner noted the entire document as being particularly relevant;

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(2) French Patent Application No. 2 795 604 published January 5, 2001 as an "A" category document with regard to claims 1-10 of the International application. The Examiner noted the entire document as being particularly relevant;

(3) French Patent Application No. 1 554 932 published January 24, 1969 as an "A" category document with regard to claims 1-10 of the International application. The Examiner noted the entire document as being particularly relevant;

(4) U.S. Patent No. 1,866,926 issued July 12, 1932 to COLBY as an "A" category document with regard to claim 1 of the International application. The Examiner noted the entire document as being particularly relevant;

(5) U.S. Patent No. 5,931,145 issued August 3, 1999 to OVIEDO-REYES as an "A" category document with regard to claims 10-14 of the International application. The Examiner noted Figures 1 and 2 as being particularly relevant; and

(6) U.S. Patent No. 4,169,456 issued October 2, 1979 to VAN HOUSE as an "A" category document with regard to claims 10-14 of the International application. The Examiner noted Figures 1-6 as being particularly relevant.

Each of the above-cited documents are listed on the enclosed completed copy of the PTO-1449 Form. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to consider these documents and to indicate such consideration by returning a signed and initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form with the first official communication.

Moreover, copies of the International Search Report and of the cited non-U.S. patent documents are being submitted herewith. However, pursuant to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R 1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of the cited/listed U.S. patents and U.S. published patent applications

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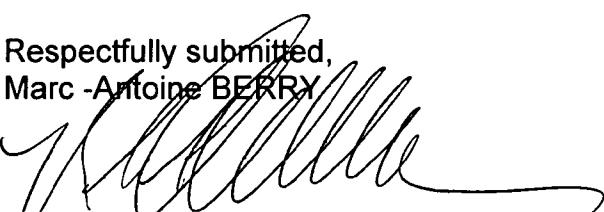
are not enclosed herewith. Moreover, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant notes that while this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months from the filing date, Applicant has not received a first action on the merits from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Accordingly, consideration of the enclosed document is required under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(3).

However, if the first action on the merit has been mailed prior to the filing date of this Information Disclosure Statement, Applicant hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fees necessary to ensure consideration of the documents cited herein to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should there be any questions or comments, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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